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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HIROSHI OHKURA ET AL.

Div. of Application No.: 10/609,421

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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING)
STRUCTURE HAVING PORES :

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit: 1756

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
10/396,397	03/26/03	2812

A copy of this Application is enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents may be found, inter alia, where cited in the specification of the enclosed Application No.

10/396,397 and/or in the English language abstracts attached thereto. Also, the concise

explanation of relevance for JP 10-121292 may be found in U.S. Patent No. 6,139,713, which is in the same family as and JP 10-121292 and which is already of record in the subject application.

As a formal matter, Applicants would like to point out that the concise explanation of relevance for JP 7-171984, and not for JP 11-200090 as mentioned in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 1, 2003, may be found in the English translation, which was provided in the parent application.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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